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In accordance with 37 CFR 1.56, Applicants wish to call the Examiner's attention to the references cited on the attached forms PTO-1449. These references are of record in parent application Serial No. 09/284,840 filed April 21, 1999 and copies are available therein.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 forms.

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